I (c) No, Sir.

I (d) The plot has now been included in the ensuing auction per gramme.

vjfficer of Plot to the Maharashtra {Government Li Lieu of Sirmur Plot

2628. SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL:
SHR1 SAN JAY NIRUPAM:

Will ihe Minister of URBAN AF-FAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleaded to state:

(a) whether the Central Govern-Imem hiive offered a plot at Shrinivas. puri in lieu of the Sirmur plot, to the Maharashtra Government and whether due to inconvenience and un-suitability, the Maharashtra Government has refused the offer^

I (b) if so, whether Government are igoing to vacate the Sirmur plot and hand ove$_r$ the sam$_e$ to the Maharashtra Government •

(c) if so, by when it would be executed; and

W) if not, the alternative steps proposed to ue iake$_n$ by Government to this regard?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. KATESWARLU): (a) Yes, M acres land in Srinivaspuri in lies of Sirmur Plot was offc- to the Government of Maharash-Government of Maharashtra Ecepesnted that they were no in IN 1.5 acrres land in Srinivaa-

(c) No sir

(d) Does not arise in view of reply at (b) above

(e) Further stps in this regard will be taken in consulatation with the gov ement of maharshtra

Revision of Population Lin^t of towns

2629. SHRI MUKESH R. PATEL;
SHRI SANJAY NIRUPAM:

Will the Minister of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be pleased to refer t$_0$ answer to Starred Question 124 given i$_n$ the Rajya Sabha on the 31st July, 1997 and state;

(a) whether it i$_s$ a fact that the population limit of the towns to be considered under AUWSP has been increased from 20,000 to 1,00,000;

(b) if so, the detailed thereof; and

(c) what is Government's decision regarding Maharashtra Government's demand of increasing the quantity of water being supplied in urban areas from 70 lpcd to 100 lpcd?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR. U. VENKATESWARLU): (a) No, Sir.

(b) Question does not arise.

(c) It has been clarified in the reply sent to the Maharashtra Government that the present norm of 70 lpcd is considered adequate for towns having population upto 1,00,000 as these towns do not generally h large industrial and institutional requirements of water.

Statue on WiUiagdon Crescent

2630. SHRI K. R. MALKANI: Will the Minister of URBAN AF FAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT be plea sed to state;

(a) whether the beautiful jroup statue on Willingdon Crescent Sardar Patel Road junction in New Delhi U an approximate representation o* Dandi March;

(b) whether it is a pix of this »rt sculpture has been printed on Rs 500-not«;

(c) whether it is also a fact that a Churchman with a prominent Cross has been prominently put there, though there was no such personage *'a* Dandi March or anv other March-and

(d) why will Sikh Granthi have not been shown mere on the principle of Secularism assuming it is not a Dandi March?

THE MINISTER OF STATE OF THE MINISTRY OF URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT (DR U- VENKATESWARLU) (a) Though the Group Statue on Willing, don Crescent-Sardar Patel Road June Hon in New Delhi is popularly identified with Dandi March, the Statue was Installed in memory of the countless Indians who. generation after generation struggled and saerifi-ed against foreign rule.

(°) Yes, Sir.

(65 Yes. Sir.

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(d) a mullah a pandit and a sikh Granthi have also been shown in the goup sttues

Failure of prime minister s integrated urban poverty eradicaton programms

2631 SHRI VEDPRAKASH P GOYAL:
SHRI O. P. KOHLI:

Will the minster of URBAN AFFAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT beleased to state

(a) whether it si a fact that the prime ministers integrated urban poverty programme has failed to takeoff (b) whether it is also a fact that the ministry does not have even the basic information regarding the proprramme so far

(d) the reasons for the tan gress in this direction? trady THE MINISTER OF STATE PR THE MINISTRY OF UR£? FAIRS AND EMPLOYMENT^' VENKATESWARLU). (A) NO The Prime Minister's Integrated!'-' Poverty Eradication Pnwr-J (PMi UPEP) was launched *7%* ember 1995 to address the econonu cial and physical dimensions of *2* poverty in urban agglomerations' population between 50,000 to Mf as per 1991 census and Hill distris Towns of North-East/Hilly States' population less than 1,00,000 1991 census, with a muiti-pronged.E tegrated strategy. Five million*M* poor targetted to benefit under! programme during the five year*gramme period (1995 96 to IB 2000) .

Funds to most Of the States 1995-96 were released in the I quarter of the year. The J UPEP is a scheme with multi-ditt' sional facets and requires extens •grassroot spadework in the form activities such as House-to-hs Survey, Spatial mapping, prep tion of Project Reports, formation CBOs etc. +o ensure its effectivei plementation.

0[3]) to (d) The scheme is ored regularly by this M[1]* through Regional review Meet the Inter-Ministerial Converge forum and periodical reports As per the reports received *from'*-State Government, physical ad went, under the programme are ' closed at Statement (See beH The amount released to States & the inception of Programme under:—

Year	Central Share relea
1995-96	105.80
1996-97	70.60
1997-98	81.8977 (till da